

# Notice of Exemption

**To:**  Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**From:** Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD**  
P.O. Box 944209  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

**County Clerk (County of):** N/A

**Attention:** Erin Aquino-Carhart

**Project Title:** Deer Creek Meadow and Gurnsey Creek Restoration Planning, Project ID: 2021028

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location - Specific:** Approximately 11 miles west of Chester in the Upper Deer Creek watershed

**Project Location - City:** Chester

**Project Location - County:** Tehama

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** This planning project involves baseline monitoring, geo-technical site analysis, development of restoration designs, and environmental analysis and permitting for future meadow restoration work within Deer Creek Meadows and the removal of two unstable bridges over Deer and Gurnsey Creeks that are no longer being used.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** John P. Donnelly, Executive Director, WCB

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 15268):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption: State Section number and type:
- Statutory Exemption: Section 15262; feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions that the agency has not approved, adopted or funded.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project involves only environmental analysis or planning studies for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** John P. Donnelly

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (916) 445-0137

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes (by this notice)  No

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*John P. Donnelly*  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Date: 4/22/2021

Title: Executive Director

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

**Date received for Filing:**

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WCB Board Meeting Folder